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EX-SURROGATE PELL DECLINES.

Too Busy to Accept the Post of Keeper of the State Prison at Trenton.

HACKENSACK, April 4.—A number of Republican politicians in New Jersey will be gratified to learn that **ex-Surrogate David A. Pell** of Bergen county, who was appointed by Gov. Griggs as keeper of the State prison at Trenton, has sent a letter to the governor announcing that he will not accept the place, which is worth \$3,500 a year to the keeper and \$1,500 to his wife as matron.

Mr. Pell is President of the Hackensack bank and is largely interested in other business enterprises, including a proposed trolley line, which occupies much of his time. Before his appointment he notified the governor that he did not desire the place. He did not, to accept it was made in face of strong party pressure.

Body Identified by a Hatter's Travelling Card.

DANBURY, Conn., April 4.—Some fishermen came upon the dead body of a man in a field a short distance from Pomperaug Valley Station on the New England road to-day. The body was identified by a hatter's travelling card found in a pocket as that of **Albert Deberrie**, a hat finisher, who belonged in Newark, N. J. He worked in Danbury and New Milford recently, and for a time was a hotel clerk in this city.

Charles W. Thwaite Gets a Divorce.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., April 4.—An absolute divorce was granted to **Charles W. Thwaite** of West Farms to-day by Judge Dykman, sitting in Special Term of the Supreme Court, from his wife, **Minnie Thwaite**, an statutory grounds. Mrs. Thwaite some months ago eloped with an electric car motorman named Hurst.

Fewer Executive Sessions of the Police Board.

The Police Board, at the suggestion of President Roosevelt, decided yesterday to have no more executive sessions of the Board unless there was some real need for them. This, of course, only means that there will be fewer executive sessions than heretofore.

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